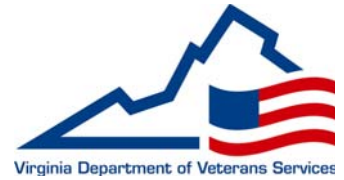


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Wounded Warrior Program Seeks Regional Directors

RICHMOND— The Virginia Wounded Warrior Program seeks three regional directors to manage program activities in Hampton, Northern Virginia, and western and southwestern Virginia. These directors will monitor and coordinate mental health and rehabilitative services support for Virginia veterans, members of the Virginia National Guard, and Virginia residents in the Armed Forces Reserves not in active federal service. They will ensure that services are available within their regions to support family members affected by a covered military member's service and deployment. And, they will ensure availability of timely assessment and treatment for combat stress and traumatic brain injuries resulting from service in combat areas. Depending on the availability of funding, regional directors may implement and oversee a coordinated system of care. To apply for these positions, visit

<https://jobs.agencies.virginia.gov/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/Frameset.jsp?time=1221222030109>.

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The Virginia Wounded Warrior Program was authorized by the 2008 General Assembly and is charged with ensuring that veterans who have experienced stress-related injuries in combat, and their families, receive timely assessment, treatment, and support. A study by the RAND Corporation reports that more than 30 percent of returning service personnel "have a mental health condition or reported experiencing a traumatic brain injury."

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Virginia's share of this serious health concern comes to more than 50,000 veterans over the next 20 years. Considering the impact on spouses and children, the number increases to 200,000 during the same time period.

The General Assembly appropriated \$4.4 million over the current biennium to fund the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program. These funds will be used to build capacity in the community service boards, traumatic brain injury service providers, and other community-based service providers as well as to provide a hotline for veterans and their families, and training for service providers and other professionals. Services to veterans and their families will include mental health, substance abuse, and traumatic brain injury services as well as case management, outpatient, family support, and rehabilitation services.

For more information about the Wounded Warrior Program, visit www.virginiaforveterans.com.

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